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# ANNUAL AUDITED REPORT **FORM X-17A-5** PART III

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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the

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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNIN	IG JANUARY 1, 2001	AND ENDING DECE	MBER 33, 200:
A. 1	REGISTRANT IDENTIFICA	ATION	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:			
BIANCO RESEARCH, L.L.C.			OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF I	BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box	: No.)	FIRM ID. NO.
1000 HART ROAD, SUITE 2			
	(No. and Street)		
BARRINGTON	ILLINOIS	600	)10
(City)	(State)	(Zîp	Code)
В. А	ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFIC		le — Telephone No.)
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTAN	T whose opinion is contained in t	in iteport	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTAN  DOW, WOOD & CO.			
	(Name — if individual, state last, first, middle r	name)	
DOW, WOOD & CO.  44 N. WALKUP AVENUE	(Name — if individual, state last, first, middle r	name) ILLINOIS	60014
DOW, WOOD & CO.	(Name — if individual, state lass, first, middle r	name)	60014 Zip Code)
DOW, WOOD & CO.  44 N. WALKUP AVENUE  (Address)  CHECK ONE:  \( \text{\text{Certified Public Accountant}} \)	(Name — if individual, state last, first, middle r	name) ILLINOIS	Zip Code) PROCESSI
DOW, WOOD & CO.  44 N. WALKUP AVENUE  (Address)  CHECK ONE:  (Address)  CHECK ONE:  (Description of the content	(Name — if individual, state last, first, middle r	ILLINOIS (State)	Zip Code)

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<sup>\*</sup>Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).

# OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I,	JAMES A. BIANCO, swear (or affirm) that, to the
best o	f my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
	BIANCO RESEARCH, L.L.C.
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	CEMBER 31, 2001 are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company
	ly partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified soley as that of omer, except as follows:
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	NO EXCEPTIONS
	processor of the second
	3 OFFICIAL SEAL 3
	CHRISTOPHER H HELLER Signature
	NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
/	MEMBER
	Title
(	
~~	Notary Public
This :	eport** contains (check all applicable boxes):
	) Facing page.
<b>X</b> (	b) Statement of Financial Condition.
<b>(Z</b>	s) Statement of Income (Loss).
<b>X</b> (	l) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition. (CASH FLOWS)
<b>(2</b> )	Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
	) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
<b>K</b>	c) Computation of Net Capital
	n) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
	) Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
	) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and t
	Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
	x) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of co
	solidation.
	An Oath or Affirmation.
	n) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
<b>V</b>	1) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audi

<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

Financial Statements, Schedules and Report on Internal Accounting Control

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

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# Dow, Wood & Co.

#### CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members
Bianco Research, L.L.C.
Barrington, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Bianco Research, L.L.C. as of December 31, 2001, and the related statements of income, changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's Management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Bianco Research, L.L.C. as of December 31, 2001, and the results of operations and changes in cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit also included the schedules of computation of net capital and exemptive provision under Rule 15c3-3. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Dow, Wood & Co. Certified Public Accountants

Crystal Lake, Illinois February 19, 2002

# Statement of Financial Condition

# December 31, 2001

# **ASSETS**

Cash	\$ 148,350 - 308
	<u>\$ 148,658</u>
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY	
Accounts payable	\$ 250

Deferred	subscription	income	•	•	•	•	•	•	 •	•	•	37,000
												37,250
Members'	equity		•	•			•	•	 •	•		111,408
												\$ 148,658

# Statement of Income

# For the Year Ended December 31, 2001

<u>REVENUES</u> :											
Subscription income Other									\$	179,66 50	
										180,16	2_
EXPENSES:											
Contract labor Regulatory fees										32,69 2,99	
Insurance Office and supplies										31 71	
Professional fees . Amortization					•	•			_	5,66 24	
										42,63	4
NET INCOME									\$	137,52	. 8

# Statement of Changes in Members' Equity For the Year Ended December 31, 2001

Members'	equity	at	peg:	ınn:	ıng	OI	yε	ear	•	•	•	•	•	•	٠	\$ 101,880
Net incom	me	•											•			137,528
Contribut	cions .	•											•			-
Distribut	tions .	•											•	•		(128,000)
Members'	equity	at	end	of	yea	r										\$ 111,408

# Statement of Cash Flows

# For the Year Ended December 31, 2001

Cash Flows From Operating Activities: Net income	. \$ 137,528
Net income	
Amortization	. 246
Accounts payable	20,834
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	158,608_
Cash Flows From Investing Activities: Purchase of fixed assets	·
Net cash flows (used) in investing activities	
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:  Member contributions	. <u>(128,000)</u>
Net cash flows (used) in financing activities	. (128,000)
Net increase in cash	. 30,608
Cash at beginning of year	117,742
Cash at end of year	. <u>\$ 148,350</u>
Supplemental disclosures: Cash paid for interest	. \$ -

#### Notes to Financial Statements

#### December 31, 2001

#### 1. GENERAL

Bianco Research, L.L.C. (The "Company"), is an Illinois limited liability company formed in 1998. The Company provides research on a subscription basis. In addition, the Company is a registered securities broker/dealer.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Use of Estimates</u> - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition - Deferred subscription income represents amounts received but not yet earned. The Company reports the revenue in the period it is earned.

<u>Fixed Assets</u> - Fixtures and equipment are stated at historical cost and are depreciated on an accelerated basis that approximates straight line.

<u>Income Taxes</u> - The Company has chosen to be treated as a partnership for federal and state income tax purposes. A partnership is not a taxpaying entity for federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, no federal income tax expense has been recorded in the statements since all income or losses will be reported on the individual members' income tax returns. The Company is subject to the Illinois replacement tax.

#### 3. NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Company, as a registered broker/dealer, is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) and is required to maintain minimum capital, as defined, under the Rule. Under this Rule, the Company is required to maintain "minimum net capital" equivalent to the greater of \$5,000 or 6-2/3% of "aggregate indebtedness," as these terms are defined.

At December 31, 2001, the Company had net capital, as defined, of \$111,100, which was \$106,100 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

# December 31, 2001

# 4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year 2001, the Company paid \$32,696 to Arbor Research & Trading, Inc. for contract labor services. Arbor Research & Trading, Inc. is a member (part owner) of Bianco Research, L.L.C.

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To the Members
Bianco Research L.L.C.
Barrington, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Bianco Research L.L.C. as required by Rule 17a-5(d) as of December 31, 2001, and for the year then ended, and have issued a report thereon dated February 19, 2002. As part of our audit, we reviewed and tested the system for internal accounting control and the procedures for safeguarding securities to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. In addition, we reviewed the practices and procedures followed by the Company:

- 1. in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital as required by Rule 17a-3 (a) (11).
- 2. in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons and the recording of differences required by Rule 17a-13.

Rule 17a-5 contemplates that the scope of the review and tests should be sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that any material weaknesses existing at the date of our examination would be disclosed. Under these standards and that Rule, the purposes of such evaluation are to establish a basis for reliance thereon in determining the nature, timing and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements and to provide a basis for reporting material weaknesses in internal accounting control.

The objective of internal accounting control is to provide reasonable but not absolute assurance as to the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a system of internal accounting control should not exceed the benefits derived and also recognizes that the evaluation of these factors necessarily requires estimates and judgements by management. However, for the purpose of this report, under Rule 17a-5, the cost-benefit relationship has been disregarded in determining weaknesses to be reported.

There are inherent limitations that should be recognized in considering the potential effectiveness of any system of internal accounting control. In the performance of most control procedures, errors can result from misunderstanding of instructions, mistakes of judgment, carelessness or other personal factors. Control procedures whose effectiveness depends upon segregation of duties can be circumvented by collusion. Similarly, control procedures can be circumvented intentionally by management either with respect to the execution and recording of transactions or with respect to the estimates and judgments required in the preparation of financial statements. Further, projection of any evaluation of internal accounting control to future periods is subject to the risk that the procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions and that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation of the system of internal accounting control for the year ended December 31, 2001, which was made for the purposes set forth in the first paragraph and would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system which may have existed during the period under review, disclosed no weaknesses that we believe to be material.

The Company claims exemption from Rule 15c3-3 under paragraph (k) (i). Conditions of the exemption were being complied with as of the audit date and no facts came to our attention to indicate the exemption had not been complied with during the period under audit.

Crystal Lake, Illinois February 19, 2002 Accor, Viscol Lo.

Dow, Wood & Co. Certified Public Accountants

# FINANCIAL AND OPERATION COMBINED UNIFORM SINGLE REPORT PART IIA

BROKER OR DEALER BIANCO RESEARCH, L.L.C.	as of DECEMBER 31, 200	1
COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL		
Total ownership equity from Statement of Financial Condition	() 34	90
4. Add:  A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital  B. Other (deductions) or allowable credits (List)		25
6. Deductions and/or charges:	08 3540 3590	
D. Other deductions and/or charges	3610 ( 308 ) 363	30
9. Haircuts on securities (computed, where applicable, pursuant to 15c3-1 (f)):  A. Contractual securities commitments	3660 3670	
1. Exempted securities	3735 -3733 3730 3734 3650	10
E. Other (List)		_

NOTE: THE ABOVE COMPUTATION DOES NOT DIFFER FROM THE COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER RULE 15c3-1 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2001 FILED BY BIANCO RESEARCH, L.L.C. WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS.

### FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL COMBINED UNIFORM SINGLE REPORT **PART IIA**

**BROKER OR DEALER** 

BIANCO RESEARCH, L.L.C.

as of DECEMBER 31, 2001

#### COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT

#### Part A

11.	Minimum net capital required (6-2/3% of line 19)	2,483	3756
12.	Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer and minimum net capital requirement		
	of subsidiaries computed in accordance with Note (A)\$	5,000	3758
13.	Net capital requirement (greater of line 11 or 12)	5,000	3760
14.	Excess net capital (line 10 less 13)	106,100	3770
15.	Excess net capital at 1000% (line 10 less 10% of line 19)	107,375	3780

#### COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS

16.	Total A.I. liabilities from Statement of Financial Condition	. \$	37,250	3790
17.		_		
	A. Drafts for immediate credit	]		
	B. Market value of securities borrowed for which no equivalent	_		
	value is paid or credited\$	]		
)	C. Other unrecorded amounts (List)	J \$		3830
19.	Total aggregate indebtedness	. \$	37,250	3840
20.	Percentage of aggregate indebtedness to net capital (line 19 ÷ by line 10)	. %	33.53	3850
21.	Percentage of debt to debt-equity total computed in accordance with Rule 15c3-1 (d)	. %		3860

#### **COMPUTATION OF ALTERNATE NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT**

#### Part B

22. 2% of combined aggregate debit items as shown in Formula for Reserve Requirements pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 prepared as of the date of the net capital computation including both brokers or dealers 3870 23. Minimum dollar net capital requirement of reporting broker or dealer and minimum net capital 3880 3760 3910 25. Excess net capital (line 10 less 24) ...... \$ 26. Net capital in excess of: 5% of combined aggregate debit items or \$120,000 .......\$ 3920

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#### NOTES:

- (A) The minimum net capital requirement should be computed by adding the minimum dollar net capital requirement of the reporting broker dealer and, for each subsidiary to be consolidated, the greater of:
  - 1. Minimum dollar net capital requirement, or
  - 2. 6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness or 2% of aggregate debits if alternative method is used.
- (B) Do not deduct the value of securities borrowed under subordination agreements or secured demand note covered by subordination agreements not in satisfactory form and the market values of memberships in exchanges contributed for use of company (contra to item 1740) and partners' securities which were included in non-allowable assets.
- For reports filed pursuant to paragraph (d) of Rule 17a-5, respondent should provide a list of material non-allowable assets.

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKERS AND DEALERS PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-3 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001

The Company claims an exemption from Rule 15c3-3 under Section (k)(2)(i).